

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population  
District of Columbia,  
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area  
October 2009/a**

	Net Change From				
	Oct./b 2009	Sept./c 2009	Oct./d 2008	Sept./c 2009	Oct./d 2008
<b><u>Seasonally Unadjusted</u></b>					
<b>Washington, D.C.</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	330,200	327,900	331,300	2,300	-1,100
Total Employed	290,300	289,800	306,000	500	-15,700
Total Unemployed	39,900	38,100	25,400	1,800	14,500
Unemployment Rate	12.1	11.6	7.7	0.5	4.4
<b>Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	2,371,400	2,364,700	2,390,600	6,700	-19,200
Total Employed	2,221,400	2,214,800	2,289,800	6,600	-68,400
Total Unemployed	150,000	149,800	100,800	200	49,200
Unemployment Rate	6.3	6.3	4.2	0.0	2.1
<b>Suburban Ring</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	2,674,000	2,671,400	2,698,000	2,600	-24,000
Total Employed	2,528,500	2,525,100	2,598,700	3,400	-70,200
Total Unemployed	145,400	146,200	99,100	-800	46,300
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.5	3.7	-0.1	1.7
<b>Washington, D.C. MSA</b>					
Civilian Labor Force	3,004,200	2,999,300	3,029,300	4,900	-25,100
Total Employed	2,818,800	2,814,900	2,904,700	3,900	-85,900
Total Unemployed	185,300	184,300	124,500	1,000	60,800
Unemployment Rate	6.2	6.1	4.1	0.1	2.1

a/ Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

b/ Preliminary.

c/ Revised.

d/ Data reflect 2008 benchmark revisions.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes The District of Columbia, Virginia Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia Counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia County of Jefferson.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the Counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

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